

General Assembly

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Referred to Committee on Environment

Introduced by: (ENV)

AN ACT CONCERNING FARM WASTE MANAGEMENT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- 1 Section 1. Section 22-6c of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):
- 3 The Commissioner of Agriculture may reimburse any farmer for
- 4 part of the cost of compliance with a <u>comprehensive farm nutrient</u>
- 5 <u>management plan or a</u> farm resources management plan, provided
- 6 such plan has been certified by the federal [Farm Service Agency,]
- 7 Natural Resources Conservation Service or the Department of
- 8 Environmental Protection and the cost is in accordance with said
- 9 certification. The total federal and state grant available to a farmer
- shall not be more than [seventy-five] <u>ninety</u> per cent of such cost. In
- 11 making grants under this section, the commissioner shall give priority
- 12 to capital improvements made in accordance with a <u>comprehensive</u>
- 13 <u>farm nutrient management plan or a farm resources plan prepared</u>
- pursuant to section 22a-354m, as amended.

This act shall take effect as follows:	

Section 1	from passage

Statement of Purpose:

To improve the ability of farmers to meet federal and state environmental mandates by increasing the percentage of state and federal funds that may be applied to the total cost of a project.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]